

What is claimed is:

- 5           1.       A package for storing a contact lens, comprising a base element, wherein  
the base element comprises an opacifying agent.
2.       The package of claim 1, wherein the opacifying agent is elected from the  
group consisting of aluminum, aluminum hydrate, aluminum silicate, potassium silicate,  
10   aluminum mono- di-, and tri- stearate, barium sulphate, bentonite, burnt amber, calcium  
carbonate, carbon black, D & C Red No. 7, organic pigments, soluble dyes absorbed on  
an inorganic carrier, soluble dyes combined with an inorganic carrier diatomaceous earth,  
iron oxides, magnesium oxide, magnesium silicate, phthalocyanine blue, phthalocyanine  
green, quinacridone red, raw sienna, burnt sienna, titanium dioxide, and combinations  
15   thereof.
3.       The package of claim 1, wherein the opacifying agent is titanium dioxide.
4.       The package of claim 1, wherein the opacifying agent is a photochromic  
20   compound.
5.       The package of claim 4, wherein the photochromic compound is selected  
from the group consisting of a spironaphthyloxazine, naphthopyran, benzopyran,  
phenantropyran, spiropyridobenzoxazine, metal dithizonate, fulgide, fulgimide,  
25   spiro(benzindoline), organometal dithizonate.
6.       The package of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 wherein the opacifying agent is  
incorporated into a material from which the base element is made.
- 30        7.       The package of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 wherein the opacifying agent is coated  
onto a surface of the base element.

8. The package of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 wherein the opacifying agent is sprayed onto a surface of the base element.

5 9. The package of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 wherein the opacifying agent is printed onto a surface of the base element.

10 10. The package of claim 1, wherein the base element further comprises a metallocene catalyzed polymer or a metallocene catalyzed co-polymers made of polypropylene.

11. The package of claim 1, wherein the base element further comprises a metallocene catalyzed polymer or a metallocene catalyzed co-polymers made of polyethylene.

15 12. The package of claim 1 or 11, wherein the package further comprises a flexible cover sheet.

20 13. The package of claim 12, wherein the cover sheet comprises an adhesive laminate of an aluminum foil and a polypropylene film.

14. The package of claim 12, wherein the package further comprises a contact lens comprising galyfilcon A, senefilcon A, balafilcon A, or lotrafilcon A.

25 15. The package of claim 14, wherein the contact lens further comprises an antimicrobial agent.

16. The package of claim 14, wherein the contact lens further comprises a pharmaceutical agent.

17. The package of claim 13, wherein the package further comprises a contact lenses comprising galyfilcon A, senefilcon A, balafilcon A, or lotrafilcon A.

5 18. The package of claim 17, wherein the contact lens further comprises an antimicrobial agent.

19. The package of claim 17, wherein the contact lens further comprises a pharmaceutical agent.